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MARK ISENBERG: Since this is being recorded, I'll just go ahead and kick us off here. Hello, everyone, and thank you for joining us today during what I know is a particularly busy time of the year. We greatly appreciate you taking the time to learn more about the significant class action settlement involving Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

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My name is Mark Eisenberg and I serve as executive vice president of healthcare advocacy at Zotec Partners and I'm joined today by attorneys Barry Alexander, David King and Dan Owen from Polsinelli Law Firm. I got that right. That was a little bit troubling there, the name of the law firm.

They'll be walking us through the details of the settlement, including your options to opt-in or opt-out and the potential advantages and disadvantages of each choice. But before I get started, I want to do a few housekeeping notes. The content shared today is not intended as and does not constitute legal advice. Zotec Partners is facilitating this discussion for its own clients' informational purposes only and is not acting as a legal advisor in any manner. The

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Additionally, we will be using the Zoom's Q&A function to address any questions you might have during the presentation, so feel free to submit them and, as time permits, we'll be able to address them. And as you probably heard, this meeting is being recorded and will be made available to you after the session.

To provide some context, on December 4th of this year, a U.S. district court in Alabama granted preliminary approval of a settlement that will be binding on every hospital and healthcare provider in the U.S., including physicians and physician groups of all types.

The lawsuit claimed that all of the Blue Cross Blue Shield plans throughout the U.S. had conspired to illegally lower reimbursements to hospitals and other healthcare providers beginning in 2008 and continuing to the present date in violation of U.S. antitrust. All

hospitals and healthcare providers must decide prior to March 4th of 2025 whether to accept the settlement or to opt-out of the settlement. The process in this case is significantly different than other class action matters where an opt-out is easier to pursue.

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Since 2016, the national law firm of Polsinelli PC has been involved in this case for a wide range of healthcare providers and most recently advising providers as to whether they should accept class action settlement or opt-out. Today's presentation will come with the terms of the proposed settlement and the pros and cons of either accepting the settlement or opting out, as well as other options to seek direct damages against the applicable plans.

With that, I'll turn it over to turn it over to the speakers to guide us through this critical discussion.

DAVID KING: Dan, do you want to start or Barry?

BARRY ALEXANDER: Yeah, Mark. You did such an excellent job covering what we do and what we don't. I'm struggling to figure out where to step in before I introduce my guys. I'm

a shareholder at Polsinelli, principally in reimbursement, government investigation and M&A. Dan who's going to speak to you is really the guy. He's in Kansas City and he has been involved in this case since 2016 with multiple appearances before the court and he's an antitrust litigator.

And David King, who's also on my team over here, he heads our payer dispute resolution group. If I could take a poll, I would suspect everybody loves all of our payers across the United States and David has pretty much litigated with every major payer on a wide range of issues from E&M down-coding out of network, IBR and contract disputes. You can see he's lost most of his hair dealing with payers.

I am going to flip it over to Dan and he's going to try and drive us through the case and what we are, I think, Dan, not only recommending, although it's not legal advice to you guys to consider, but a pretty strong position we have with large swath of our healthcare providers. I think we probably work with 600 to 700 healthcare systems throughout the country. Anyways, Dan, it's all up to you to do

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DANIEL OWEN: Okay. Again, my name is My job, been with the firm for 27 years and done -- since 2006, have focused pretty much entirely on representing plaintiffs in antitrust cases. So I've represented businesses that paid too much for goods. I've represented competitors that were forced out of -- kept out of markets because of antitrust activity. I've represented classes of plaintiffs that were injured by antitrust type activity, price fixing that either drives up the price of the goods they buy or drives down the price that is paid to them; in this case, driving down the reimbursement. So that's what I've been at for 27 years. Before that, I was an elected district attorney for four years before that. So that's my background.

As Barry said, I've been involved in this case since 2016. The case was filed in 2012. It seeks damages going back all the way back to 2008. Okay. Because of a four-year statute of limitations, it was filed in 2012. So the damages it seeks go from 2008 all the way through the present day. And that's going to be

important in the analysis I'm going to present to you.

Briefly said, if you imagine the underpayment, even by a few percentage points, of every physician and every hospital and every healthcare provider by The Blues for a 16-year period from 2008 to the present, even a tiny underpayment, the damages become astronomical. Especially because under federal antitrust law, they have to be tripled. So there's not enough money in the world probably to pay it all back.

As you're going to hear, that's not necessarily the primary focus of the case. The primary focus is trying to get The Blues to change their business practices. But along the way, they're looking at many billions of dollars of damages. I'm now going to try to share my screen. Hopefully I get this done right. And let's see here. Okay. That should be a screen that has PowerPoint presentation on it. Does it?

DAVID KING: Yeah.

DANIEL OWEN: Okay. I'm going to go through this very quickly. There's a lot, a lot of information in here about the history of the case and about where we are now and about the

decision that needs to be made. But I'm going to kind of start at the end with the decision that needs to be made.

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This case has been running since, for 12 years, since 2012. It sought a lot of damages from Blue Cross, but it also sought some changes in their business practice. It didn't get either of them in this settlement. It didn't get a lot of money and it didn't get the critical changes in the business practices.

So the question will be, do physicians and healthcare systems and hospitals stay in this settlement or do they opt-out and not be bound by the settlement. They don't get the benefit of the settlement necessarily, but they also don't get bound by it. And our ultimate -- we think that many hospitals, physicians and other healthcare providers will -- should choose and will choose to opt-out of this for the reasons I'm about to show.

Okay. Let's get going. This is about the Blue Cross Blue Shield antitrust litigation. And the next slide should be coming up. There it is. Okay. So let's talk about that key question. Why is this settlement important to

healthcare providers? Well, the reason it's important is it's going to be binding on every healthcare provider that doesn't opt-out. And by binding, I mean that those healthcare providers can no longer complain about The Blues structure or The Blues reimbursement policy, at least not as it relates to the antitrust laws. So you're basically, if you don't opt-out, you're participating in giving The Blues a perpetual immunity pill to continue to do business exactly the way they're doing it now, with a few trivial exceptions.

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Okay. Here come the details of this proposed settlement that you're going to have to decide to opt-in or opt-out from. First, the proposed settlement includes some monetary relief. As you'll see, the monetary relief, although it sounds like a lot, is a real pittance compared to the damage that would have been inflicted over a 16-year period.

Next, it provides -- the settlement provides some injunctive relief. That means changes in The Blues business practice. And again, this was the primary focus of the case, not the monetary relief. The primary focus of

the case was on two, really three things that needed to change in The Blues business practice.

Number one, The Blues divided the country into exclusive territories and agreed not to compete against each other. The object of the lawsuit was to break up those exclusive territories.

Unfortunately, that didn't happen other than in a couple little trivial ways I'll talk about in a minute.

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Number two, they wanted The Blues to reform the way they did the national accounts program and allow people to opt-out of the national Accounts program or at least be paid more than in-network rates for out-of-network national accounts clients. That didn't happen at all. In fact, national accounts isn't even mentioned in the settlement agreement.

Number three, the lawsuit wanted to reform the BlueCard Program along the lines of reforming the national accounts program. Allow people to opt-out and bargain and maybe get paid more than having to simply give in-network rates to out-of-network Blue customers. So that was the injunctive relief that is part of the settlement. And as you'll see, it doesn't amount

to much.

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And the third part of the settlement, and the one we're so concerned about, is a release of any future claims, antitrust claims relating to under-reimbursements of healthcare providers by Blues. Ultimately, if you choose not to pursue a claim against The Blues at all, but just to opt-out and not be bound by this onerous settlement agreement, that's probably the best thing to do.

Let's talk a little bit about that monetary relief. There's a common settlement fund of \$2.8 billion, which sounds like a lot of money. But right off the top, \$700 million goes to the attorneys and \$100 million goes to administration. Of the remaining \$2 billion, 92 percent is allocated to hospitals and 8 percent to other providers. This is supposed to cover, to be some compensation for 16 years of under-reimbursement and it's incredibly minuscule compared to the damage inflicted.

The class plaintiffs admitted that one state out of 50, Alabama alone, had damages of \$4.63 billion. Imagine what happens when you add the other 49 states on. And the class plaintiffs

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then told the court something absolutely incredible. They said the provider plaintiffs' experts have not calculated a nationwide damages figure for the settlement class. They say they don't know what nationwide damages are. And as an experienced plaintiffs' class action attorney, I find that unbelievable, incredible and appalling. How can you settle any case, whether it's a rear-end collision with \$5,000 in neck and back damages or a \$100 billion case, how can you settle any case without knowing what the total damages are? Well, they do know that the total damages probably run into the hundreds of billions of dollars based on the Alabama calculation. So this \$2.8 billion really doesn't amount to much. Let's talk about the injunctive relief. Now, I've taken the injunctive relief in the

settlement directly out of the court's order. So you see the quotation marks at the beginning. This is what the court quoted as the injunctive relief, that they will develop "a system-wide, cloud-based architecture" to facilitate immediate access to member benefits, et cetera, et cetera. Big deal. They should have done that already.

They should have that already and it's not clear how that's going to benefit providers.

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Next, there's a promise that the BlueCard will have prompt payment as long as it's a "clean, fully insured claim," which of course is in the eye of The Blues. It's nice to have, but it's something they should be doing anyway. Here's some more injunctive relief. Appointment of a BlueCard executive at each Blue Plan. So what? They should have done that anyway.

Here's more injunctive relief.

Implementation of a real-time Blues internal messaging system to reduce the time it takes for The Blues to communicate with each other regarding Blue issues. So apparently they can't talk to each other in a hurry now and they'll fix that.

So these kinds of injunctive relief is just the most mere -- in our opinion, the most mere window dressing and doesn't even come close to what this lawsuit was supposed to do, which was allow physicians and hospitals to opt-out of the BlueCard Program or at least negotiate higher rates.

Here's some more injunctive relief

straight out of the court's order: "Creation of a Blue national executive resolution group to work to identify trends and opportunities for further improvement of the BlueCard Program." I mean, big deal. How is that some legally binding - how's that some legally binding obligation to do anything other than talk about stuff in a committee?

So you have very little monetary relief and you have very little injunctive relief. I mean, what I just put on the screen is exactly what the court puts it in its order preliminarily approving it. There are some other things that are in the settlement agreement that allow The Blues to compete across their earlier exclusive territory lines. It loosens up what's called the contiguous county rule, but it doesn't require them to compete across those lines. In fact, it explicitly says it will be legal for them to continue to compete only inside their exclusive territories. So again, it's just window dressing.

So in exchange for this, what are you giving up if you stay in the settlement class?
Well, you're releasing all your future claims.

And this is the biggest. If you remember nothing about today's presentation, remember this. The scope of this release is incredibly broad. There was one, a release that was executed in 2008 in a case called Love, and it was so broad it has been ruled by a court to wipe out 65 percent of the -- is expected to wipe out 65 percent of all the physician claims in this case in 2024. If you didn't opt-out in 2008, you don't get anything in 2024. And that's how broad these releases are. Let me show you some of the language of the release. Go ahead, David.

DAVID KING: I want to clarify that, because here we have professionals. So the Love settlement probably is going to be in play here. So you might talk about what the dates are, when they needed to be practicing and all of that.

BARRY ALEXANDER: Sure. I'll get to that in just a sec. Let me just hitchhike on that just a second. This settlement called Love basically said if you didn't opt-out -- if you were receiving reimbursements for many of The Blues by July of 2008, and you didn't opt-out of that settlement, you don't get anything in this settlement. That's the effect of a court ruling,

and it's the effect of what the plaintiffs and The Blues negotiated here.

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So again, if you were receiving money from The Blues by July of 2008 and you did not opt-out of the Love settlement, you probably don't have a claim here at all. Did you opt-out of the settlement? Well, of course, you don't remember. So we've assembled about 400 pages, single-spaced, of all the opt-outs of the physicians and the groups and the hospitals and everything. And it's all just on images. We're trying to get it into a searchable form. We're trying to get it into a form that our clients can search and see if they opted out or not. But those are public record, and we're happy to distribute them to anyone that wants to look through the 400 pages and see if they opted out. David, is there anything else you want me to say about the Love case before I go on?

BARRY ALEXANDER: All right. Let's take a look at this release that's on the screen here. The scope of the release is incredibly broad. You have to release any and all known or

DAVID KING: No.

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That was it.

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unknown claims, et cetera, et cetera, relating in any way to what's called the factual predicates of the provider action. Okay. Factual predicates, the petition is over 100 pages long. There are many hundreds of factual predicates, whatever they might be.

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You're also releasing a claim for "any issue raised in any provider action by pleading or motion." You know how many pleading or motions there have been since 2012? The docket sheet, that's a single-spaced document just listing the motions, is 400 pages long. That's not the pleadings and motions. There are tens of thousands of pages. But any issue raised in any of those pleadings and motions, you're waiving your right to ever complain about that.

And you're also waiving your right to complain about any "mechanisms, rules or regulations by the settling Blues relative to the injunctive relief."

As crazy as this sounds, it actually gets worse because further down in the settlement agreement, we find that we're giving a covenant not to sue "based in whole or in part, arising out of or in any way connected or related to any

released claim." Okay. So now it's even broader. And then in the next paragraph, it gets broader still. Now we're releasing stuff that has to do with "claims which are the subject matter of the provisions of this Paragraph 42," or claims with respect to the subject matter. How broad is that? Even I have no idea. And I've been doing this for decades.

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So an incredibly broad release for really very little consideration, and that's the nut of what we're here to talk about today.

Okay. I'm now going to run through some history of this lawsuit so you can see how we got here and you can see why I believe it was so inadequate. A couple of other facts I've been involved since 2016 when six of our clients got subpoenaed. I was asked to be involved in settlement negotiations. So I know exactly what the goals of the case are. I can't say anything about settlement negotiations because they're confidential, but I speak from personal knowledge about these things.

Let's talk a little bit about the history of it. Again, it was filed in 2012 seeking to change the structure of The Blue

system and change the reimbursements. It was unfortunately -- it was supposed to be a nationwide class action covering all 50 states. The reason we're here today is that after three rounds of class action briefing and literally years of fighting about it, it was clear that the case was never going to be certified as a class action. It's just too sprawling. It should have been left as 38 individual actions and tried in each state. But they wanted to -- they bit off more than they can chew and they tried to combine it into a nationwide class action.

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When it was clear that that wasn't going to happen, they simply gave up and made the best deal they could on a class-wide basis. And that's the deal I just described to you today.

Let's take a look at how the proposed class action settlement would impact providers. It's binding on providers for decades to come, and it's either going to validate The Blues exclusive territories or blow them up. It's either going to validate The Blues reimbursement setting mechanisms or it's going to blow them up. And unfortunately, the way it's now, this settlement looks now, it's going to validate this

stuff. It's going to give them an immunity pill that gives them perpetual immunity from this.

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Let's go back and talk about the two claims themselves. What is the exclusive territory claim? It's called the market allocation claim. Well, the 37 Blues all had -- all were part of a license agreement and the license agreement gave them each an exclusive territory. And Blues can't compete in the exclusive territory of another Blue. This means that no Blue could offer a provider better reimbursement rates than a competing Blue. They literally agreed not to compete against each other. And that has been held by the judge to be per se illegal. So any damages that flow from that are basically automatic because that's been ruled to be illegal.

But the next claim was called the price fixing and boycott claim, and it had to do with the BlueCard and the National Account Program.

All of The Blues participate in the BlueCard Program and the National Account Program. And these programs require hospitals to accept lower reimbursement rates, basically in-network rates, rather than bill out-of-network rates.

in this case is that the BlueCard National

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Account Programs generated excess profits. And the excess profits were divided up by something called the Inter-Plan Program Committee of The Blues, The Blues, under the auspices of the BCBSA, the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association. And they literally took the profits generated by these programs and divided them up on a nationwide basis. And so they were in big trouble in this case for colluding in this way, artificially driving down reimbursements and splitting the excess profits. Unfortunately, as I've laid out, they really weren't brought to task on any of this. Let me talk about the injunctive relief that was requested. They requested a declaration that the market allocation and price fixing conspiracies violated federal antitrust law, the Sherman Act. Unfortunately, they didn't get it. They requested an injunction prohibiting defendants from continuing either of their

illegal conspiracies. But they didn't get it.

as I've laid out, the remedial action is tiny.

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Let's talk about the damages claim. The class period began in 2008 and monetary damages were sought for under-reimbursement. They were also sought -- they were sought for under-reimbursement due to market allocation. That's the exclusive territories. And also due to the price fixing in the BlueCard National Account Program. Under federal law, those damages have to be tripled or trebled, as it says in the statute. Attorney fees have to be added and the total damages would have been probably in the hundreds of billions of dollars, plural. You can imagine what even a tiny under-reimbursement of every healthcare provider in the country for 16 years would be, and then treble it. So if it's only 1, 2, 3 percent, it's an enormous amount of money. Let's talk about who's covered by this settlement. All healthcare providers who aren't government entities or a couple of other examples. All healthcare providers in the United

Let's talk about some considerations on

States are covered, including everyone on this

call, as far as I know.

opting out. One question is what is the future structure of Blue Cross Blue Shield as far as will they compete against each other or won't they. As I've said, this settlement doesn't do much.

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The next question is what are the future reimbursement procedures. Are they the same as they were in the past or they changed in a significant way? As I've shown you, we don't think they're changed in any significant way. And then finally damages, how much could you get for past under reimbursements?

And if you -- you can do the calculation yourself. If 8 percent of \$2 billion goes to physicians, what percentage of all Blue Cross Blue Shield reimbursements in a 16-year period do your reimbursements represent? And if it's pro rata, that's the share of the settlement fund you would probably be entitled to. We've done the calculation for some of our larger clients and hospitals and it's de minimis compared to what's really at stake here.

Let's talk about the strategies that are out there based on these facts that I've laid out for you. You could stay in the settlement

class and be bound by its terms and then you don't have to listen to lawyers anymore. You can just stay in the settlement class and be bound by its terms. Or we could create some kind of group or structure and tell The Blues that this group of people or group of companies intends to optout. But we're willing to discuss the problems we have with the settlement first.

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I will tell you, having been at the hearing on preliminary approval, that the judge, in my opinion, the judge expects number two to happen. And the reason the judge expects number two to happen is that's what happened in a previous settlement in this case. You see, there were two arms of the case. The arm we're talking about here today is under-reimbursement of providers.

But there was a whole other arm involving subscribers, purchasers of Blue Cross insurance. That's already been settled. Okay. It was easier to settle, less money. But in that case, the judge preliminarily approved a settlement like this one. And after it became clear that a lot of big subscribers' groups were opting out, there were new negotiations with The

Blues and they came back to the judge with a new settlement agreement that was more acceptable. When the judge was hearing this, he said from the bench, he alluded to the fact that this had happened before and basically indicated he wouldn't be surprised if it happened in this case.

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We can't force The Blues to talk to us. Maybe they won't want to. But we can sure send them a letter and say we don't like this settlement. We're considering opting out. Do you want to talk? My prediction would be that they would.

Let's talk about your other options.

Number three. You could seek what's called a tolling agreement from The Blues but not file a lawsuit until the negotiations were done. You could opt-out but don't immediately file a lawsuit, in which case you reduce risking your damage period from 16 years down to four years because of the four-year statute of limitation.

Or you could opt-out and file an immediate lawsuit. That's a continuum of strategies going all the way from doing nothing to opting out and filing a lawsuit.

Finally, you could opt-out and never file a lawsuit, but never be bound by the settlement and the release which might be the best option for some settlement class members.

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Here are some inputs to your decision. Calculate the amount of past under-reimbursement. How do you do that? Get a good figure for how much The Blues have paid you since 2008. And then just imagine that 1 or 2 percent of that was an under-reimbursement, 2 or 3 percent of that was an under-reimbursement and then triple it because it has to be tripled under federal antitrust law. That gives you some idea of the amount of damage, monetary damage.

You will know and you might have an idea as to whether you would benefit from future structural changes in The Blues. And you might have an idea as to whether you would benefit by future reimbursement changes by The Blues, particularly with regard to the BlueCard Program and the National Accounts Program being allowed to negotiate those rates or opt-out of those if you don't like the rates. That relief is probably worth more than the money you would actually get in the lawsuit, at least for some of

the hospital systems we've looked at.

All right. I'm at the last topic here.

I thank you for your patience. I know I

I thank you for your patience. I know I

presented a lot of material. Here's the

5 procedure for opting out. You have to provide

all of the following information by March 4th of

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opt-out and the plaintiffs' attorneys that are

9 going to get \$700 million in legal fees don't

10 want you to opt-out, they made this deliberately

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19 here's the big one. All provider, all national

20 provider identifiers, or NPIs, tax identification

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the class member billed for services between 2008

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Now it may be that you don't opt-out,

you don't even make certain claims. But if you're going to opt-out, you've got to put all this stuff in. Then there's a statement that you wish to be excluded. And then there are a whole bunch of nasty conditions. There has to be a physical signature on it. Electronic signatures won't do. Now that's -- this is just, by the way, ridiculous, the idea of there needs to be a wet signature on something in this day and age, but that's the requirement.

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Then it goes on to say that the lawyers can't sign them for you unless the lawyers are employed by that particular medical group. It goes on to say that each of you has -- each class member has to put their own exclusion request signed by that class member, although if there's a healthcare system, medical group, medical organization, healthcare facility, they can do it by representative. And then finally it warns that if you fail to provide all the required information, then the attempt opt-out shall be invalid. So it's doable, but it's deliberately difficult.

That is the end of my presentation. I hope that somebody, some of you are still with me

and haven't given up and I hope that some of you have asked some questions. I'll be happy to address anything that the group wants to know about.

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MARK ISENBERG: Hey, Megan. Are you available? Can you read the questions from the chat, please?

MEGAN BOYD: Yep, yep. So this recording will be shared. I just saw that question come through which I can answer. So there's a couple questions in the chat. The first being it says, at first blush, this seems like a settlement primarily intended to get a win so that the prevailing class action attorneys get \$700 million in fees.

If the settlement doesn't really help providers or materially impact their harmful business practices, then what's the reason plaintiffs would agree to this settlement besides net return to their attorneys? Healthcare providers can't receive kickbacks for referrals. But I'm not sure that extends to class action lawsuits between plaintiff and their attorneys. Sorry, that was a long-winded question. But it's in the chat.

DANIEL OWEN: That was such a good question. I may just add that to this presentation because you've hit the nail on the head. This is of enormous benefit to The Blues, that take the immunity pill, that they can't be challenged on this anymore. It's an enormous benefit to the class action attorneys who get 700 million bucks and it's not much of a benefit to anybody else.

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Now, I'm going to drop back and tell you a little bit about the class action attorneys because I know them well. And the first thing I'm going to say is going to come as a real surprise. They are really good people, goodhearted people with good motives and they're very competent and I like them. But they got in over their head here and they bit off more than they can chew and they wound up having to make a bad deal just to extricate themselves from it after 12 years and the expenditure of \$100 million, which is what they told the judge they spent on this case.

Let me tell you a little bit more about them. And I want to emphasize that although I said lots of bad things about this settlement,

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and I mean them all from the bottom of my heart, none of that is directed in animus to the people, to the class action lead counsel. Their names are Joe Whatley and Edith Kallas. They're the ones that did the Love case that settled back in 2008. And they are truly, in my view, the most preeminent healthcare class action attorneys in this country. They're capable of doing things that others aren't. And I really admire them. And I spoke to them many times during this, the pendency of this case. I've had dinner with them. We've gone over goals for the case and how we would get there and everything else.

But what happened to them is this.

After 12 years and the expenditure of \$100 million, they were told this is never going to get certified as a national class. And what we're going to do is remand all 38 cases back to the district courts they came from in 2012. And now you've got to litigate all 38 of those cases, each of which is a little miniature class action. And faced with that, and we begin advising clients based on the remand. And then all of a sudden the remand evaporated and this lousy deal came up because this is their last opportunity to

settle it on a nationwide basis.

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Okay. I'm urging you to opt-out of this case, this deal, because I think it's a bad deal. I don't blame Joe Whatley and Edith Kallas for doing it. I get it. They had fought the good fight, spent 100 million bucks, 12 years, and now they're looking at another how many, three, four, five years of litigation, 38 places. They just simply gave up. But that's how all of this came about. And the question is absolutely prescient. It doesn't really benefit anybody except The Blues and the lawyers at this point. Other questions?

MEGAN BOYD: Next question we have is how can a hospital discern if it is excluded from this settlement based on accepting or opting out of the 2008 settlement?

DANIEL OWEN: The list of those who opted out is about 400 pages long. It's not an electronic form right now. We'll send it to anybody that wants it. It's a public record available in the files of the district court down in Florida where the Love settlement was created. Within a couple weeks, we hope to have an electronic version of that which having to be

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scanned in and recognized so that it's easy to search. Okay. Somewhere in your files may be a record of whether you opted out or not, but who knows where it is in 2008, 16 years ago. But the official record of who opted out, it's not in dispute. It's in the files of the court. It's a little more complicated than that because there were actually three settlements and we're trying to get to the bottom of whether the opt-out lists are the same or overlap or not. It's not completely cut and dried. But we will help you get it figured out if you want us to. What's next? MEGAN BOYD: Would a physician group or hospital need to have joined the class to be covered by the settlement? No. You're covered DANTEL OWEN: unless you opt-out. Okay. You're in unless you opt-out because it covered all healthcare providers in the United States of America. The settlement covers all healthcare providers. You're in unless you opt-out. MEGAN BOYD: Yeah. And then next question is, how about a class action lawsuit

1 DANIEL OWEN: Any day of the week. Any day of the week. It's what I do for a living. 2 You've got my email. Send it. Send it on. And 3 as you may not know much about the Polsinelli 4 firm, we represent lots of hospitals and lots of 5 6 providers. The insurance companies are 7 unfortunately the natural enemies of our client. And nothing would make me happier than to be 8 9 involved in that. I've spent my entire adult life 10 11 preparing cases and taking them in front of 12 juries for people that got ripped off in one way 13 or another. And nothing would make me happier 14 than to rip into UnitedHealthcare. I feel bad 15 for their executive, of course, but the anger 16 that's out there is, is palpable and, and not 17 just at United. What's next? 18 MEGAN BOYD: Where can they find the decision and/or the list of items for opt-out? 19 DANIEL OWEN: The decision or the list 2.0 21 of items? Okay, the -- okay --DAVID KING: The preliminary approval I 22 23 think is what they're looking for, Dan. 24 DANIEL OWEN: Yeah. We can distribute 25 the order of preliminary approval that was

entered by the court on December 2nd and it lists

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the opt-out procedure. Okay. This order of 2 3 preliminary approval comes from two other 4 documents, by the way, is related to two other documents. One is the settlement agreement 5 6 itself and that's a public document. And I 7 quoted from it. Anyone that wants a copy of it, 8 we can give it to you. 9 And then there was a motion for 10 preliminary approval by the plaintiffs' 11 I quoted a little bit of that where attorneys. 12 it said we haven't calculated nationwide damages, 13 which I don't believe, by the way. So those 14 three documents, the order of preliminary 15 approval, the motion for preliminary approval and 16 the settlement agreement itself, those are all public documents and we're happy to provide 17

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MEGAN BOYD: Thank you. We will be sharing this recording with everyone. But if we're able to share the PowerPoint from you guys, we'll absolutely do that as well. There was a few questions about that. But next question relating to your presentation is what happens if you don't opt-in or out?

copies of them to anyone that wants them.

DANIEL OWEN: Well, there's no such thing as opting in. You're in unless you optout. So the judge ordered that this settlement will be binding, assuming it's goes through final approval. But after final approval, it's binding on every healthcare provider in the United States of America. There's no such thing as opting in. You're already in.

Okay. The question is, of course, do you opt-out? And if you opt -- if you stay in, theoretically, somewhere, sometime you're going to get a check. And is it going to be \$856 or \$85,000? I can't tell you, but it's going to be -- if you're a physician, it's going to be your share of 8 percent of \$2 billion pro rata somehow over a 16-year period. So you would get whatever monetary compensation you're going to get, you're going to get. You're going to get to benefit from these wonderful enhancements to the BlueCard system that I sarcastically described where now The Blues are going to talk to each other over a faster communications link and there's going to be a committee to improve the BlueCard system or whatever.

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advantage of the new ability to work across their former exclusive boundaries. Maybe they will, maybe they won't. So you may benefit from that. But what's absolutely sure is you will not have the opportunity to make any claim or to benefit from any future claims made by others having to do with under-reimbursement because of these antitrust law violations. And it's quite disconcerting to me because the truth is the antitrust law violations are going to go on into the future with immunity now and you're never going to be able to do anything about it unless you opt-out.

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Okay, and let me say as an aside, I think if a number, a lot of people opt-out, The Blues are going to come back to the negotiating table, just I think what the judge expects. They're going to come back to the negotiating table and go for it and we're going to either get a better class action settlement that people are willing to stay in. That's one possibility. Or individual hospitals or systems or physicians groups are going to be able to make their own deals, like we'd like to bill in-network rates plus a few percentage points on BlueCard.

They're going to make their own deals and that's going to then make it worth it to be bound by the settlement. Whether it's an individual deal or, or whether it's changes to the class action deal, I don't know what form it's going to take. I would just like to see The Blues at the negotiating table facing a bunch of opt-outs and wanting to preserve some kind of national deal. Next question.

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DAVID KING: We've got about ten questions left. I thought maybe I'll just kind of rapid-fire answer some of these so we can try to -- Megan, so we can try to get through the questions and, Dan, chime in. But I'm pulling that up as we go. So we're going to send around the decision. We're going to send around the slides, at least send them to Zotec and they can pass them around.

Next question. What if you don't optin or out? Well, as Dan mentioned earlier, you're in unless you opt-out for this case. So you're automatically in because you're within the described class unless you opt-out. Next question, are the plaintiff attorneys employed by Blues? Probably a sarcastic question. No, they

definitely are not. But you know, they had challenges in this case that Dan described. So yes, it primarily looks like an attorney fee issue that is a big benefit here. So we've seen that in many, many other cases before.

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There were a number of references to the BlueCard Program. What other plans or products constitute the scope? Well, it's the National Accounts Program and the BlueCard Program and whatever products fit within the BlueCard Program, primarily commercial products. But the allegations here relate to the conspiracy among The Blues that yield the antitrust allegations where they were able to benefit from the BlueCard Program that was able to drive lower reimbursement to the provider. So that's the theory of the case, generally speaking, which can apply to whatever plans or programs are subject to the BlueCard or the National Accounts Program.

If your group currently has an ongoing lawsuit against Blue Cross, does opting out have any impact on the current case? I don't think so. We don't know anything about your lawsuit. So we'd have to know what's happening to your lawsuit. Is there any overlap? For example, is

Page 40 1 it an antitrust lawsuit, is it a meat and potatoes in-network dispute, out-of-network 2 dispute? So we'd have to know more about that. 3 4 DANIEL OWEN: Let me chime in on that, If it is just a meat and potatoes 5 David. 6 reimbursement dispute, it is not affected in any way by this settlement. It goes forward and you do -- and it doesn't matter whether you opt-in or 8 9 Those ordinary course disputes are not affected in any way by this settlement. 10 11 DAVID KING: All right. Next, has 12 Polsinelli had a role in this case up until now? 13 And I think, Dan, you may have missed this 14 earlier. Dan described we, the firm, have represented several witness parties that were 15 16 brought in by subpoena. Dan was involved in 17 that. Dan was involved in settlement negotiations that we can't discuss and otherwise 18 19 has been monitoring the case for several clients 2.0 that are not technically -- well, they may be 21 participants, but they're not the name parties. 22 Would going out of network with all The 23 Blues affect our ability to litigate in the future, whether or not we opt-out? Again, just 24

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disputes, if all you have is a rate dispute being out of network, that would be different than, let's say they have a narrow network in your area and you allege some sort of conspiracy with other providers. So you might have some sort of a potential release with that sort of language. I'd have to get more input from Dan on that. So it just depends on what's going on with your current case. You know, going out of network, generally speaking, probably doesn't affect it other than the politics of it. You know, The Blues sometimes get their feelings hurt when you sue them. And so if you opt-out, you know, they could have some feedback on that, but probably

could have some feedback on that, but probably not technically affecting your ability to prosecute your out-of-network dispute, if you have one. Any addition on that, Dan?

DANIEL OWEN: No. I would need a lot more facts to have any kind of opinion on that.

DAVID KING: All right. Somebody said they had to take a call and miss the slides on the procedure for opting out. We're going to circulate the preliminary approval of the settlement that has all of the opt-out

procedures, very burdensome. If you have no information of opting out in the Love case, can you opt-out in this case? Yes. I mean, you can go ahead and opt-out in this case and wait for The Blues to say, hey, wait a minute, you already are subject to the Love case. So they'll tell you. And so one of your strategies could be if you're not sure if you opted out, you could just opt-out here and see what happens. But anything to add there, Dan?

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DANIEL OWEN: You're no worse off by opting out. And in it -- I will tell you, a court has ruled that if you didn't opt-out of the Love case, you're barred on this one. But that's not necessarily the final word on it. It's a complicated legal question. We'll just have to see what it comes out to. The conservative advice for somebody like me to give is if you didn't opt-out of the Love case, you're probably barred here.

DAVID KING: Next question --

BARRY ALEXANDER: Although, Dan and David, this is Barry. Doesn't that depend also on whether you were actually practicing as of that date?

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Page 43 DANIEL OWEN: Oh, yeah. If you weren't practicing as of July of 2008, you have no If you had not received reimbursements from The Blues by July of 2008, you have no problem. DAVID KING: Next question. Would the other big four insurers have a better claim in this case? It seems they were harmed the most. For example, Humana abandoned the commercial insurance market because they couldn't compete. Dan? DANIEL OWEN: Oh, yeah. That's a whole other issue. But you're right. The Blues -- and I could talk for an hour about this. But the thing 38 Blues got together and they did things that the biggest systems, United, Cigna, you name it, could not do. And frankly, they did things that are illegal under the antitrust laws. That's why we have antitrust laws, so that 38 cannot operate as one. And yeah, if I were Humana, if anybody knows Humana, give them my card. DAVID KING: Sorry, Dan. We do not represent Humana and will not.

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Yeah.

Yeah.

DANIEL OWEN:

Page 44 DAVID KING: We'll refer it out. 1 DANIEL OWEN: We can't do that one. 2 Yeah, they're again, natural enemies. But 3 certainly Humana has claimed that, you know --4 who knows what goes into their consideration. 5 DAVID KING: All right. Next question. 6 7 If 75 percent opt-out, does this affect the 8 available funds for the remaining parties? The 9 answer is yes. But if 75 percent opt-out, it may 10 blow up the settlement, correct, Dan? 11 DANIEL OWEN: Correct. And we haven't 12 talked about the so-called blow provision. It's 13 secret. We can't see it. Only the judge and the 14 plaintiffs' attorneys and The Blues can see it. 15 But at some level, if there's enough opt-outs, 16 then The Blues can blow up the settlement and say we don't want to do it anymore because so many 17 18 people opted out, we're not getting anything for 19 it. 2.0 We don't know what the blow provision 21 level is. What's interesting is a lot of times 22 in my personal experience, even if the blow 23 provision is exceeded, the defendants still won't They still would rather have it, 24 blow it up. 25 even if they have the option to blow it up. So

we know there's a blow provision. We don't know what it is. But whoever asked the question is correct. The more opt-out, the more of that \$2 billion is available for those that remain in.

Okay. I still think it's going to be de minimis for most physicians and hospital systems. But you're right, as people opt-out, the rest of that -- more of that settlement fund becomes available for those who stay in.

DAVID KING: All right. If a group bills under one tax ID number, like an emergency

bills under one tax ID number, like an emergency medical group, will the group need to submit NPIs, national provider IDs, for all physicians or just the group tax ID number as part of the requirements to opt-out by March 4th?

DANIEL OWEN: We're really going to have to look at the text of that. The way it looks to me at this point is that if the claim is made under a group, that's just the group, tax ID number and provider number -- and you'd better hope that group was not receiving money from Blue Cross before July of 2008, otherwise it had better opt-out.

Now, let's say that a group is barred, but individual physicians within that group are

not barred by the Love settlement, then you're going to need to provide the information for the individual physicians that aren't barred.

DAVID KING: All right. So is it too much of a reach to say you should opt-out, but it may be too time consuming and expensive to opt-out? Well, it doesn't really cost much to opt-out. The expense would be if you opt-out and then file your own lawsuit.

And so one of the strategies that Dan reviewed was you opt-out and then you try to negotiate something either to stay in or, just as a separate, you know, I'm going to opt-out in this settle, you know, pick your favorite Blue and then you can negotiate. The real expensive item is if you then litigate on your own your antitrust case. Anything else to add on that, Dan?

DANIEL OWEN: I would expect that a lot of -- some people on this call may have already seen letters from plaintiffs' attorneys offering to take their case on a contingent fee basis.

And we know that some of the big law firms in this country are out trying to get contingent fee cases. They're mostly soliciting hospitals and

large healthcare systems, but they're out there trying to do it. And of course, the plaintiffs' attorneys in the class, Joe Whatley and Edith Kallas, they sent out a nasty letter last week, a form letter that several of our clients got that said, don't go with these people. Don't file your own lawsuit, and here's why.

So there's this battle for representation of people. Where Zotec and its members fall in that, I don't know yet. I don't know yet. But there are many strategies for whether you go with a contingent lawyer or whether you band together, whether you file your own lawsuit, whether you tag on somebody else's. Lot of different strategies out there and they're beyond the scope of today's meeting.

DAVID KING: All right. To clarify, as a physician group, we need a wet signature for every physician in the group or just a wet signature from a representative of the group?

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DANIEL OWEN: My belief is that if the group wasn't getting -- isn't bound by the Love settlement, which means it wasn't getting money from Blue Cross before July of '08 or it opted

1 out, then you're good to just go under the group. Okay. However, I think a lot of groups are going 2 3 to be barred, but they're going to have individual physicians in them that aren't barred. 4 So then you've got to go by the individual 5 physician and each individual physician has to 6 7 put their own wet signature on it. 8 DAVID KING: Who is going to check the 9 opt-out applications to ensure they're complete? Can they potentially be rejected? I say yes. 10 11 they've been found, for example, to fall within 12 the Love settlement, it would be rejected. And 13 then, Dan, the plaintiffs will have somebody checking these opt-outs, correct? 14 15 DANIEL OWEN: Yes, David. There's a 16 "settlement administrator" who's being paid \$100 million, okay, to administer this settlement. 17 18 It's a third-party settlement administrator. 19 They do it for lots and lots of these cases and 2.0 they have their instructions from the court and 21 they go through and see if the opt-out was 22 If it was, they add them to the opt-out 23 list. If it wasn't, they reject it. And you know, if they reject it in time, you could fix it 24 and send it back in. But at any rate, the 25

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settlement administrator passes on all of this stuff and there's some procedure for complaining if you don't like what the settlement administrator did.

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DAVID KING: Given the lack of any meaningful settlement after 12 years of litigation, why should we think there would be a more meaningful settlement in the future? Dan?

DANIEL OWEN: That's a great question. And it's because the reason that this case got stuck in the mud after 12 years was because it couldn't get it certified as a class. All of those issues about class do not apply to individual claims brought by hospitals systems, healthcare systems and physicians groups. All of the class action stuff goes away. Now they're just looking down the barrel of the original claim. Go ahead, David. What were you going to add?

DAVID KING: Where would we send the opt-out, if we choose to do so? That's going to be in the order we're going to circulate. Where will we be able to find these materials? We'll send stuff to Zotec and they can send them around to you guys. What happens if you can't find TINs

and NPIs for all group providers going back 16 years? That's getting into the weeds a little bit. We'd have to talk specifically about that.

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What if the doctors were in one group in 2008 and changed to a new group practice?
We'd have to sort that out in more detail. We don't think we have time to sort that out now.
If a physician group did not opt-out of the Love case, but currently consists of a large number of physicians who are not in practice, can they still opt-out or is this settlement foreclosed from Love? That's another in the weeds kind of a question. We might need to just talk to you individually about all of that.

What does Polsinelli plan to do if there are enough opt-outs to trip a new deal? Is there a financial incentive for Polsinelli? Not at this point. We are at this point just providing information to clients and prospective clients without any arrangements. We don't have any financial arrangements with anybody at this point. Just a lot -- we have current clients are probably going to opt-out, but so in the new deal could be part of the settlement. So if there's enough opt-outs, especially opt-outs from key

hospital systems, it could blow up the settlement and you could just end up with a better settlement for everybody. That would be a nice result. Or if you're a big hospital system that has a lot of leverage, you may be able to cut your own deal by threatening to opt-out. And so those are several of the options here. So it depends upon who you are, what your leverage is and that kind of says, you know, what might happen with your individual case.

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Let's see. I think we got through them. So sorry, rapid fire there. Just trying to answer as best we can. But if you have individualized questions, especially the details of opt-out, we really need to dive into the weeds on that because it's very, very complicated.

DANIEL OWEN: David, you and I are expected at the healthcare department meeting that started one minute ago and they've got my sandwich ordered. So I've got to get there.

MARK ISENBERG: So thank you. Yeah, we'll go ahead and wrap it up. And as we mentioned, we'll go ahead and forward along the PowerPoint presentation as well as the other documents that were mentioned in this call. And

Page 52 1 we'll also provide you with the contact 2 information of the presenters today too, if you want to follow up with them directly. But we 3 4 very much appreciate your time. DANIEL OWEN: Hey, Mark, I spotted --5 6 in going through that PowerPoint presentation, 7 which has never been given to anyone until today, I spotted a couple of typos. I want to fix them 8 9 before that presentation goes out. MARK ISENBERG: Fair enough. Yeah. 10 11 just send us the final one and then we'll attach 12 it to the recording as well. 13 DANIEL OWEN: Okay. 14 Thanks, everybody. DAVID KING: 15 MARK ISENBERG: Thank you, everyone. 16 DANIEL OWEN: Thanks, everybody. 17 MEGAN BOYD: Thank you. 18 BARRY ALEXANDER: Happy holidays as well. 19 2.0 21 22 23 24 25

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